AFFIDAVIT OF CHEQUAMEGON COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE, INC. REGARDING THE USE OF FEDERAL HIGH-COST SUPPORT FUNDS ATIONS CARRIERS ONLY

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STATE OF WIS	CONSIN)
COUNTY OF B	AYFIELD) ss.)
I, the undersigne	d, being duly s	sworn, state as follows:
	(Official title)	cutive Officer of Chequamegon Communications Cooperative, Inc. Utility Number 1070 and FCC Study Area Code 330860.
2. I am a Funds.	a corporate off	icer responsible for certifying Carrier's use of Federal High Cost Support
I elecom	er is an eligible munications A of the Act.	e telecommunications carrier within the meaning of § 214(e) of the Federa act of 1996, and is eligible to receive universal service support pursuant to

4. Carrier files this affidavit in compliance with the Federal Communications Commission's order of May 23, 2001, in Docket No. 96-45, which requires states to certify to the Federal Communications Commission that all Federal High-Cost Support within this state be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

- 5. Carrier hereby states that it will use the Federal High Cost Support Funds only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to § 254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.
- 6. I hereby state that responses to the attached responses to the three questions are complete and accurate.

David J. Carter

(typed name)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of July.

> Votary Public *County; Wisconsin

My Commission Expires

Questions for Wisconsin ETCs

<u>Chequamegon Communications Cooperative, Inc.</u> (Carrier)

(Company name)

Wisconsin Utility Number: <u>1070</u> FCC Study Area Code: <u>330860</u>.

Mark the box with an X for the statement that is true for the Carrier's Wisconsin operations:

Carrier does not receive High Cost Fund support from the federal Universal Service Fund. [Proceed no further.]

Carrier **A does** receive High Cost Fund support from the federal Universal Service Fund. [Please answer the following three (3) questions.]

1. What is the amount of federal HCF support received for operations in Wisconsin in 2011 and amount expected to be received in 2012?

Note: The HCF support amount includes the mechanisms requiring state certification in 2012 and include: High Cost Loop Support (HCL), Local Switching Support (LSS) and Safety Net Additive (SNA)

2011: \$ 2012: \$

2) For what areas (exchanges) is the funding in question 1 provided?

Barnes	Grand View	Mason
Cable	La Pointe	Namakagon
Benoit	Maple	Port Wing
Cornucopia	Marengo	Iron River
Drummond	Mason	

3) High Cost Fund support is provided "for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended." What are the purposes and <u>principal</u> projects for which the monies in question 1 have been or are being used in the areas identified in question 2?

Purposes:

The Company uses USF support to maintain its existing network. These projects will support growth and ongoing upgrade of plant. This includes adding equipment in central offices and remotes for growth or to upgrade equipment, replacing batteries, rectifiers and generators, adding outside plant facilities and replacing worn out cable or placing cable as a result of road moves

TIME FRAME	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	COST
2011	Central Office Equip., Digital Circuit Equip., General Support Assets, Buried Fiber & Copper Cable	
2011	Plant Maintenance & Operating Expenses, Excluding Depreciation	
2012	Central Office Equip., Digital Circuit Equip., General Support Assets, Buried Fiber & Copper Cable (Estimates)	
2012	Plant Maintenance & Operating Expenses, Excluding Depreciation (Estimates)	